

Merry Christmas

Can you believe it, the end of another term and what a jam packed one it has been. We have been celebrating with Excellence awards, pantos, the Nativity and Carol concerts.

We return to school on Monday 9th January 2023

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for supporting our school. We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.





Late Gate

Please ensure you leave in plenty of time to arrive in school on time. It is disruptive to the class when children arrive late and will have an impact on your child's academic levels.

We do offer breakfast club; 7.30-8.15 at a cost of £2 per day and there is no need to book.

This half term we **lost 90 hours** of learning time due to lateness. This is the equivalent of 13 school days. Fines will be issued to parents of school children with persistent lateness.

Learning time lost due to lateness.		
Trout class – Year 1	1982 minutes	33+ hours
Dragonfly – Year 2	666 minutes	11+ hours
Carp – Year 1	528	8+ hours
Valley – Year 3	497	8+ hours

Attendance for Autumn 2



Please remember that we can administer medicine to your child. You just need to complete a consent form. So, if your child has a cough or cold they should be attending school.

Key dates

Seal	96.4%
Eel	94.6%
Heron	93.7%
Valley	91.9%
Duck	91.6%
Dragonfly	91.2%
Water striders	91.1%
Trout	90%
Carp	88.1%
Swan	85.7

12 th January	KSI SAT's parents meeting – 3.30pm and 5.30pm.
18 th January	Young voices.
Thursday 19 th January	Reading parents curriculum evening
Wednesday 25 th January	Parents book look 8.30
26 th January	Reception Class Assembly – Chinese New Year – 2.30pm
26 th January	Phonics screening parent evening – 3.30pm and 5.30pm.
20 th January	Coffee morning – E-safety
30 th January	Story telling day
7 th February	Year 4 – E-Safety Class Assembly – 8.45am
9 th February	KSI School cinema



Thank you too all of the parents who braved the cold December morning to attend the Maths Coffee Morning. We hope this was really informative for you all and if anyone was unable to make it, please do email in if you would like any further information.

Busy Ducklings

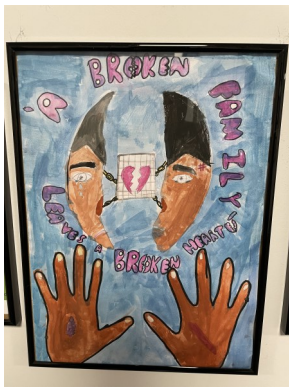


Duck class have had a busy month!

They performed their first ever class assembly, took part in the EYFS & KSI Nativity, learnt a dance routine and had time to complete other learning.

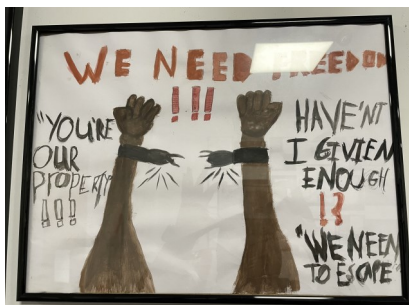
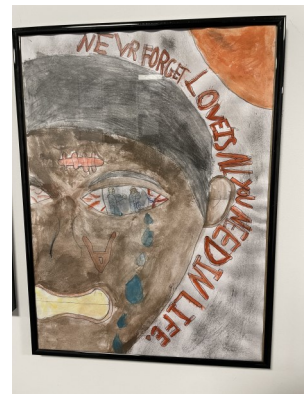
In maths they have been learning about patterns and have even had a go making their own. They have also been practicing their writing and completed a character description!

Year 6

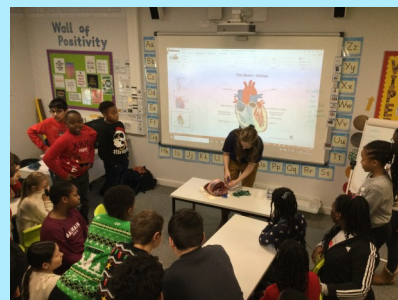


This month, Year 6 have been busy preparing for their class assembly and Christmas carol performance. They have learned so much in their topic Maafa including the development of the slave trade. They have also enjoyed creating meaningful conceptual artwork.

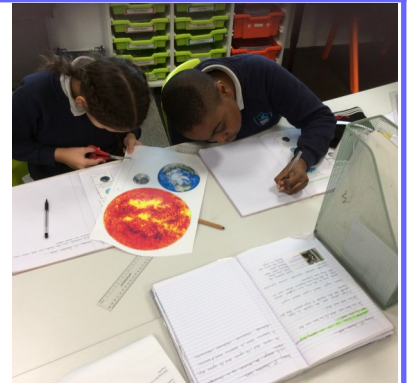
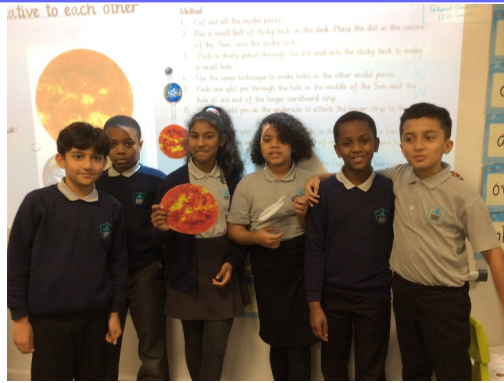
Here are some pieces!



This month, we have had Hands-on Science come in to deliver workshops with Years 2, 3, 5 and 6. In Year 2, they looked at adaption and camouflage. In Year 3, they looked at skeletons. In Year 5, they looked at space and in Year 6 they looked at heart dissection. Everyone had a brilliant time getting hands-on with their Science learning!



Heron class are out of this world!



Year 5 have been learning about the planets and the Solar System. We made paper models of the Sun, Earth and Moon to investigate how they move and relate to each other in the universe. We worked in groups for this activity.

Carp class are maths mad

Carp class have been learning about 3D shapes and their properties.

We enjoyed making model such as: castles, submarines and dinosaurs with them.

We also recognised that 3D shapes are composed of 2D shapes.



Year 4 are cooking up a storm



As part of our 'Fresh Food, Good Food' topic, we have been exploring how food decays and what we can do to preserve it. We even designed containers for our very own healthy muffins.

Year 3 go potty!

This term Year 3 have been learning about the Bell Beaker pottery.

They explored the different clay techniques which they used in class to make and decorate their own Bell Beaker-style pot.



Dragonflies are demons in the kitchen.



This half term we have been learning about food.

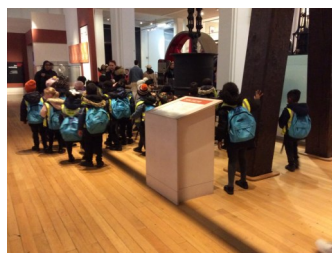
We have learnt about different food groups like carbohydrates, dairy and vegetables.

We also learnt how to use different kitchen tools like a grater and peelers.

Now we will be pros in the kitchen!



Trout class visit the science museum.



Trout class had an amazing time looking at the different materials around the Science museum. Did you know rockets are made of metal and plastic?



Riverside Refills will be back on Wednesday 11th January 2023.

Please pop down to the Reception playground at 3:15pm to have a look at what we have on sale, and make a purchase if you can. All proceeds go back to making the school a more environmentally friendly place for our pupils, so any and all sales are appreciated.

We even have a few of our special, limited edition 100ml bottles left, so grab them while stocks last!

Christmas glitter and sparkles.



This month, Swan class have thoroughly enjoyed learning about Christmas and getting stuck into all of our Christmas crafts! They have made sparkly crowns, cards, and even got to decorate some special celebration biscuits. They also worked incredibly hard to learn all of the songs for our Christmas nativity - well done Swan class!

